

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20207

Record of Commission Action Commissioners Voting by Ballot*

Commissioners Voting:

Chairman Hal Stratton

Commissioner Thomas H. Moore Commissioner Mary Sheila Gall

ITEM:

Final Rules to Declare Lead-Cored Candlewicks and Candles with Such Wicks to Be "Hazardous Substances" and to Ban Them

DECISION:

The Commission voted unanimously (3-0) to issue the final rules to declare lead-cored candle wicks and candles with lead-cord wicks to be hazardous substances and to ban them. The rules are to be published in the <u>Federal Register</u>. For purposes of the rules, lead-cored candlewicks are defined as those with a lead content of more than 0.06 percent of the total weight of the metal core of the wick. This is consistent with the advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR) issued by the Commission in response to Petition (HP 00-03) on February 20, 2001 (66 FR 10863) and the notice of proposed rulemaking (NPR) issued in this proceeding by the Commission on April 24, 2002 (67 FR 20062).

For the Commission:

Todd A. Stevenson

Secretary

^{*} Ballot vote due April 4, 2003